

# Now That The Season Is With Us

When the Farmer is interested in Preparing Feed for stock, We wish to call your attention to the line of Ideal Feed Mills and Grinders and the Marseilles and Canton Shellers.

The Ideal Feed Mills and Grinders are the best in the market and possess many points of merit over all other feed grinders. They have a greater range of work, will last longer, run lighter and have greater capacity for their size than any other line of Feed Mills. As to the Shellers, the Canton and Marseilles lines are too well known to need any description or information relative to their good points. If you want other than horse power to run your Sheller or Feed Mill let us put you up an Ideal Wind Mill, accepted by all as the best and most durable mill in the market.

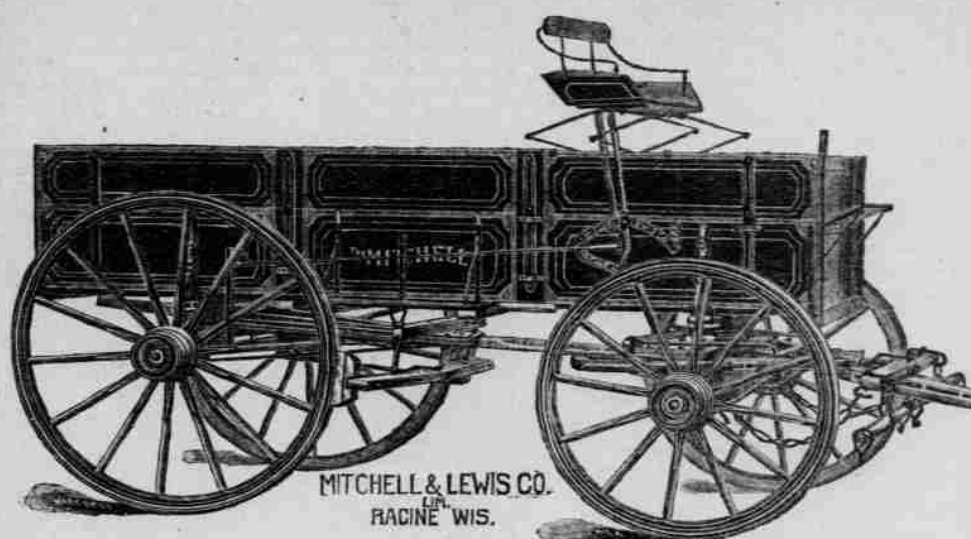
To those of you who do not want to mill your feed on the place we can hold out

## Special Inducements in the Line of Wagons

and can make you a special price notwithstanding the fact that wagons have advanced fully 20 per cent. Our line embraces the Mitchell, Studebaker, and Old Hickory, each one combining best material with best workmanship and giving you a light running and durable wagon.

In Buggies and Spring wagons we are showing the best, cheapest, and most stylish line ever brought to the city and all we need is for you to call and examine the line and get our prices and we are sure of the sale.

N. B. Do not forget that 1900 will see us at the head of the bunch in the Header business with the **Hodge** and old reliable **McCormick Header.**



In fact Careful buyers find **Our Store a Money Saver** on Everything we handle while the quality is always just a shade better than others.

Although the stove season is about over we wish to remind those who have not purchased yet that although prices are up fully 25 per cent we are still making the same old price which by the way is the lowest possible one consistent with good goods.

While our line of heaters is not as full as at the first of the season we feel confident that we can suit you in style, size and price.

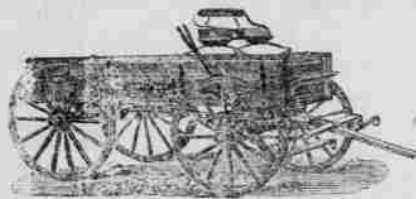
In Cooks and Ranges our line is full and complete and now as Thanksgiving approaches we wish to again call your attention to the merits of the Majestic not only as a fuel saver but as a stove that will give you satisfaction in every particular and one that will brown a Thanksgiving turkey to a nicer turn with less trouble than any other stove in the market.

In stove furniture we are giving you a chance to fill out your set with Graniteware at a Special Price, fully 20 per cent under the regular price of the same.

Call and Examine our Bargains in Graniteware and be convinced that we can save you money.



The Old



Hickory!

Our object of giving you the benefits of heavy buying prior to the raise is to keep all of **Customers Satisfied** and secure as many new ones as possible. We realize that in 1899 we have had much for which to be thankful, yet we trust that in 1900 we may find more and we assure you that our aim shall be to so conduct our business that each and every customer will be thankful that he has done business with us.

YOUR TRULY,



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#### THANKSGIVING DAY.

Eminent writers have given at least two good reasons why Thanksgiving Day should be observed by all people. One of the reasons is that "Every good gift, and every perfect cometh from above, from the Father of Lights," and it is meet that a christian nation should set apart a day upon which all, with common consent, give recognition that we, His children, recognize His goodness and kindness towards mankind.

Another reason is that Thanksgiving day is a sort of "social love feast," a means of strengthening family life, of renewing family relations and of practicing brotherly love; all of which are good and worthy of encouragement.

None of us are so poor, so badly harrassed by death or sickness, by debt or other trouble, but what we can still find some one in worse condition than ourselves. We should be thankful that we enjoy some pleasures, some blessings, some relief from trouble that others less fortunate are suffering.

Here in Barton county we have many things to be thankful for. Those of us who have been here for many years know that we have a country that is healthful, productive and attractive; that notwithstanding the pests which come, the people who study the climate and conditions and adapt themselves to them are becoming more independent, are bringing about them pleasanter surroundings as each year rolls by. That is much to be thankful for.

The citizens of Great Bend, and of the other towns in the county, have cause to be thankful for the

good business they are doing; for their beautiful homes, surrounded by trees and shrubbery; for our excellent schools, churches, and social privileges which are excelled noplac in the state.

Our young people should be thankful for the wonderful opportunities that lie before them in the way of business openings and professional lines; opportunities not enjoyed by the youth of the older states where everything is over-done, and where only the wealthy can be prosperous.

Personally, the editor of the DEMOCRAT is thankful for all the things enumerated above, and many more. We are thankful that our efforts to make a paper that the public appreciate are apparently successful; thankful that during nearly fourteen years that we have published the DEMOCRAT we have had no occasion to enter the courts either as plaintiff or defendant; that we believe we hold the confidence and good will of most people with whom we have come in contact, and that we have been given health and vigor to pursue our chosen calling.

Let us all, then, be thankful for the many blessings which the Divine Will has seen fit to bestow upon us.

It does look as though the Chester I. Long congressional baloon, which has been soaring aloft for many years, was in a fair way to be punctured and all the gas let out of it. The treatment of M. W. Wallace, who aspires to the gassy Chester's job, and who was summarily fired from the government service for thus aspiring, was shabby in the extreme, and in our judgment will make Wallace many friends who otherwise might have continued hanging onto the Long balloon. What we ought to have in this big seventh district is a new deal. Neither Chester I. Long nor Jerry Simpson should run again for congressional honors.

ANOTHER "peace" conference, and all the nations on earth would be at war.

THE national congress convenes December 4th, a week from next Monday. A long and most interesting session is looked for.

OUT of 22 members of the 20th Kansas who were up for county offices this fall, but two were elected, and they were both democrats, on fusion tickets.

IN THE Ohio election the combined vote for McLean and Jones is 60,000 more than the vote for Nash, republican. That is a majority of 60,000 in Ohio against expansion of the McKinley kind. Wonderful what our republican friends have to crow about in Ohio.

O'BLENNIS, of the Claffin Clarion, does not like to see an honest, straightforward man succeed on his merits. The Clarion's base and unfounded charge that Fred Lutschg won by "trading" was as senseless as it was false. However, what the Clarion says will not cut any ice, as all the men whom it made a special effort to elect were defeated.

ANOTHER striking proof of the love of the republican party for the "dear working people" has just been given by the administration. The war department has issued an order discontinuing the making of uniforms in this country, for the soldiers in the Philippines, thus depriving many deserving people of needed work. And before they were warned to keep mum, officers of the quartermaster general's office have told why—simply because the uniforms can be made cheaper in Hong Kong, where Chinese cheap labor can be had, than in the United States. But republican stump speakers will go right along talking about saving their hearers from the competition of foreign "pauper labor."

#### Games For Thanksgiving.

A good game for a small number of people is a new variation on the old "What Would You Do If."

Pencils and sheets of scrap paper are distributed among the players, and some dilemma written at the top of the paper and folded down out of sight, as in the old game of consequences. The player sees the written words, "What would you do if..." and he is required to write two ways of getting out of the dilemma without reading it.

To make the questions as unique as possible is part of the game. For instance such questions as "if you were crossing an open field and saw an enraged animal pursuing you?"

Among the five answers to this question, asked at a little party, was that of a person entirely ignorant of the question: "I would turn my coat inside out, and so disguise myself," or, "I would write a letter of apology to the party." Another question was once asked, if "you lost your collar button while dressing for the train," and the answer came, "I would telephone for a Pinkerton detective or petition legislature."

"What dost thou think of drumsticks?"  
I asked a barn yard bird  
He grinned a turkey grin, and then  
He answered me this word:  
"They're good to eat, they're good to beat,  
But sure as I am living,  
They're best to run away with  
The week before Thanksgiving."

Edward Baxter Perry will give one of his Lecture Recitals on November 29, at the M. E. church in this city. Those who enjoy such concerts will receive additional pleasure while those who do not care so much for the piano will find they have really enjoyed classical music for the first time in their lives. The remark oftener made than any other by Mr. Perry's hearers is "I never heard the piano before."

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tammen, formerly of Barton county but now of Oregon, have been visiting friends and relatives in this and Rush counties the past week.

Tyark Riemann, and John T. Riemann, his son, were transacting business in town Saturday, and called on the DEMOCRAT.

The Moses Bros. Grain Co. is preparing to build an elevator at McCracken, in Rush county.

Go to Diff. the tailor for a nice fitting and well made suit or trousers.

Miss De Ette Worrall goes on our Macerville list this week.

The business men as well as farmers their families and friends are heartily invited to the services of the first Presbyterian church Sunday Nov. 26 at 11 a. m. and 7:20 p. m. In evening songs, helpful sermons Congregational and Choir singing. The evening sermons preached by a service of song.

The "Home Guard" captured Hoisington last Friday evening and there was no reward out either.

A. M. Bantr, of Topeka, father of Attorney D. A. Banta has been here the past week visiting with his son's family. Mr. Banta, although up in the '80's, is as spry as many a younger man.

Lieut. I. E. Magee, of Co. A, 21st K. V. who is now one of the editors of the Nickerson Argosy, was up Saturday to root for the Nickerson football team.



## "Anticipation Begets More Pleasure Than Realization."

If this be true, then Christmas time is here. The day for planning, for "hints," for buying not a day too early for the latter, if you would avoid the push, and the rush, and the worry. Don't put off selecting your gifts so that you are worn out, and cross, when the blessed day comes. A light heart is the best of Christmas cheer.

Just a word before you think of Christmas buying: Don't be too practical; don't give coal, or flour, or gloves, or stockings, in the family or out, unless they are actually in need of these homely necessities of life. Do as you would, not as you done by. Don't give a thing that is really needed, if you want your present appreciated. Give something the recipient would never buy for himself or herself. Use a little common sense. Buy a bit of Jewelry, Silverware, some of the many Sterling Silver Novelties, a ring or chain.

If you want to go a little more into the practical, just enough not to be too practical, select a Watch or Clock, a set of Spoons or Knives and Forks. Numerous other desirable articles, which we have more space in our store to show than we have here to mention.

The wise will look early and buy early.  
Will you be wise or other wise?

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